NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS NOTICE OF HIGHWAY PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

Tues., Jan. 7, 2014; 4:00 – 6:00 PM

Information Open House Public Meeting
Lexington Public Library, Benthack Rm., 907 N. Washington St., Lexington, NE

STP-21-2 (111) IN LEXINGTON; C.N. 61514

The Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) will hold a public information open house regarding the refurbishment of a portion of Nebraska Highway 21 (N-21) in the city of Lexington, Dawson County. The meeting will be held at the Lexington Public Library, Benthack Room, 907 N. Washington, on Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2014, 4:00-6:00 P.M.

Identified as *In Lexington*; the proposed project is on N-21(known locally as N. Adams St.) between 9th St. and 20th St., for a total of 0.83 miles. The project would consist of reconstructing the existing N-21 roadway on the existing alignment.

Proposed improvements on this project would consist of replacing the existing pavement with a 45-foot-wide concrete pavement, striped for a 3-lane section with a common left-turn lane. New sidewalks and curb ramps would be constructed. Barrier curbs would be constructed to separate sidewalk areas from adjacent parking areas. A new storm sewer system would be constructed. Existing lighting would be replaced with a new roadway lighting system. Traffic signals would be reconstructed or modified as warranted. There may be improvements to utilities located within the project limits.

The proposed project could require the purchase of new permanent property rights for right-of-way (ROW). Temporary easements (TE) for construction would also be required throughout the project area. Plum Creek Park, between 11th and 13th on N-21, would not be affected.

Wetland and water resources have been identified within the project study area. Impacts to these resources are not anticipated. This project is located within a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) community. Post construction storm water best management practices would be utilized to meet National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) guidelines.

Construction could begin as early as spring of 2015 and be complete as early as fall of the same year.

The proposed construction would be constructed "under traffic," meaning without detouring N-21 traffic. Temporary delays in the construction area may occur. The intersection of 13th Street with N-21 would remain open to traffic throughout construction of the project. Local access would be maintained during construction but may be limited at times.

The public meeting is being held to provide information regarding the project, currently in the design phase, and receive input. All interested persons are invited to attend and present relevant comments and questions. Design information will be displayed and personnel from NDOR will be present to answer questions and receive comments. The information "open house" format allows the public to come at any time during the advertised hours, gather pertinent information about the project, speak one-on-one with project personnel, and leave as they wish. Hand-out materials will be presented in English, Spanish, and Somali. Spanish and Somali language specialists will be present.

NDOR will make every reasonable accommodation to provide an accessible meeting facility for all persons. Appropriate provisions for the hearing and visually challenged or persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) will be made if the Department is notified by Dec. 27, 2013. Notification should be submitted to: Greg Weinert, Public Hearings Officer, Nebraska Department of Roads, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759; greg.weinert@nebraska.gov; voice telephone (402)479-3834, Fax (402)479-3989.

Information regarding the proposed project will be made available on the NDOR website at www.transportation.nebraska.gov/projects/ by clicking on the "In Lexington" link. For further information, contact Gary Thayer, NDOR District Six Engineer, (308)535-8031, gary.thayer@nebraska.gov.

